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Subject: Authorization to Exceed 40 Acre Opening Size Limitation on the Orogrande Community Protection Timber Sale

To: Forest Supervisor Nez Perce Clearwater National Forest

Your request to create an opening larger than 40 acres on the Orogrande Community Protection Timber Sale is approved, based on the analysis completed for the Orogrande Community Protection Project environmental analysis.

The approved design includes:

- Opening A Units 119 & 120
 - 50 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening B Units 144, 145, 150, 151, 152, 173, 174, & 175
 - 205 acres of new harvest opening

The actions and subsequent management strategy proposed for this unit falls under the requirement to limit opening size, as described by Section 6 of the National Forest Management Act. This act requires that cuts designed to regenerate an even-aged stand of timber be subject to established maximum size limits (16 USC 1604 (g) (3) (F) (iv)).

You have complied with FSM 2471.1 for this request to exceed specified limits and are hereby approved to implement these treatments following the signature of the associated decision document for the Orogrande Community Protection Project.

/s/ Christine Dawe

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